

Amendments to the claims:

Claims 1-10: (canceled)

11. (currently amended) A wiper Wiper strip (18) for windshield wipers, comprising: having

a profile spine (20) and a function part (22) that is connected to the profile spine (20) via a tilting bridge piece (26) and that bears against it in the tilted position, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the function part (22) includes a supporting section (30) that is connected to the profile spine (20) via the first tilting bridge piece (26) and to a wiper wedge (32) via a second tilting bridge piece (28), wherein the profile spine (20) has a total width of 6 to 10 mm and a total height of 3.5 to 7 mm, wherein grooves (38) for accommodating springs (24) are provided on the opposing longitudinal sides, wherein the thickness of the grooves (38) is between 0.7 and 1.2 mm and the width of the grooves is between 2.5 and 4.5 mm, wherein the profile spine (20) is limited at the top by means of a cover strip (36) that is 0.5 to 22 mm high, wherein further opposing longitudinal grooves (42) abut the longitudinal grooves (38) in the direction facing the functional part (22), wherein intermediate walls (40) between the longitudinal grooves (38) and (42) have a thickness of 0.6 to 1 mm, and wherein covers strips (44) between the longitudinal grooves (42) and the functional part (22) have a thickness of 0.5 to 1 mm.

12. (currently amended) The wiper strip (18) according to Claim 11, characterized in that wherein the first tilting bridge piece (26) and the second tilting bridge piece (28) are coordinated with each other in such a fashion that, when the functional part (22) tilts, the first tilting bridge piece (26) folds completely over at first, and the supporting section (30) bears against the profile spine (20), while the second tilting bridge piece (28) then folds over and the wiper wedge (32) of the functional part (22) bears against the supporting section (30) with one shoulder (50).

13. (canceled)

14. (canceled)

15. (currently amended) Wiper strip (18) according to Claim 1,
characterized in that A wiper strip (18) for windshield wipers, comprising:
a profile spine (20) and a function part (22) that is connected to the profile
spine (20) via a tilting bridge piece (26) and that bears against it in the tilted
position, wherein the function part (22) includes a supporting section (30) that is
connected to the profile spine (20) via the first tilting bridge piece (26) and to a
wiper wedge (32) via a second tilting bridge piece (28), wherein the functional
part (22), including the supporting section (30), has its greatest width of
preferably 4 to 6 mm on the side facing the first tilting bridge piece (26), wherein
th width of the supporting section (30), a wiper wedge (32), and the wiper lip

(34) decreases continuously toward the exposed end of the wiper lip (34) to a value of 0.5 to 1 mm.

16. (currently amended) ~~The wiper~~ Wiper strip (18) according to claim 5 ~~15~~, characterized in that ~~wherein~~ the function part (22), including the supporting section (30), has a total height of 4 to 7 mm.

17. (currently amended) ~~Wiper strip (18) according to Claim 1,~~
~~characterized in that~~ A wiper strip (18) for windshield wipers, comprising:
a profile spine (20) and a function part (22) that is connected to the profile
spine (20) via a tilting bridge piece (26) and that bears against it in the tilted
position, wherein the function part (22) includes a supporting section (30) that is
connected to the profile spine (20) via the first tilting bridge piece (26) and to a
wiper wedge (32) via a second tilting bridge piece (28), wherein the second tilting
bridge piece (28) is formed by two opposing open spaces (52) extending in the
longitudinal direction of the wiper strip (18) that are 0.3 to 0.8 mm high and are
situated 0.8 to 1.5 mm away from the upper edge of the supporting section (30),
that wherein a distance of 0.4 to 1 mm remains between the open spaces (52) in
the middle of the functional part (22) for the second tilting bridge piece (28), and
that wherein the height of the second tilting bridge piece (28) corresponds to the
height of the open spaces (52).

18. (currently amended) The wiper ~~Wiper~~ strip (18) according to claim ~~7~~ 17, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the open spaces (52) expand in the region of the second tilting bridge piece (28) toward the supporting section (30) by means of an undercut (58) that increases the height of the open spaces (52) by 0.2 to 0.4 mm.

19. (currently amended) ~~Wiper strip (18) according to Claim 4,~~
~~characterized in that~~ A wiper strip (18) for windshield wipers, comprising:
a profile spine (20) and a function part (22) that is connected to the profile
spine (20) via a tilting bridge piece (26) and that bears against it in the tilted
position, wherein the function part (22) includes a supporting section (30) that is
connected to the profile spine (20) via the first tilting bridge piece (26) and to a
wiper wedge (32) via a second tilting bridge piece (28), wherein the first tilting
bridge piece (26) is formed by two opposing open spaces (46) extending in the
longitudinal direction of the wiper strip (18) and has a width of 0.5 to 1 mm and a
height of 0.6 to 1.4 mm, wherein the open spaces (46) have a height of 0.4 to 0.8
mm and expand in the region of the first tilting bridge piece (26) toward the profile
spine (20) by means of undercuts (48).

20. (currently amended) The wiper ~~Wiper~~ strip (18) according to
Claim ~~4~~ 19, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the profile spine (20) is secured to an
unarticulated carrier (62) by means of a cover strip (60).